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# **ILLINOIS RACING BOARD**

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, May 21, 2013, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 10:30 a.m. at Fairmount Park Racetrack, Collinsville, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman William Berry, Commissioners Kathy Byrne (telephonic), Allan Monat, Benjamin Reyes, Hugh Scates, Robert Schiewe, Jr., Gregory Sronce and Roger Whalen. Staff members Marc Laino, Katherine Laurent, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

## **BOARD ITEMS**

Pursuant to IRB rule 206.50, Chairman Berry moved to allow Commissioner Byrne to participate in the meeting telephonically. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by a voice vote.

Commissioner Reyes moved to approve the following HRETF disbursements. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the following motion unanimously by a roll call vote:

The July 14, 2009 and May 7, 2010 Board decisions regarding the Horse Racing Equity Trust Fund (HRETF) should be amended to include the handle generated by the fairs in the total handle for the distribution calculation, and to include distributions due to the Illinois Department of Agriculture and Brown County Fair Association, Inc. The remaining \$2,414,907.50 held in the Horse Racing Equity Trust Fund should be distributed to the organization licensees and the purses in the following amounts, plus interest accrued in the month of May until the date of distribution:

**HRETF Remaining Balance Distributions/Offset** 

	TRACK	PURSE	TOTAL
Arlington	\$ 291,530.66	\$ 448,663.37	\$ 740,194.03
Hawthorne	\$ 193,253.04	\$ 287,649.98	\$ 480,903.02
Balmoral	\$ 178,020.31	\$ 260,495.23	\$ 438,515.54
Maywood	\$ 104,828.49	\$ 163,948.13	\$ 268,776.62
Fairmount	\$ 106,255.94	\$ 89,585.02	\$ 195,840.96
Dept. of AgSpringfield	\$ 57,223.98	\$ 122,833.42	\$ 180,057.40

Dept. of AgDuQuoin	\$ 33,687.82	\$ 71,816.31	\$ 105,504.13
Brown Co.	\$ 1,162.77	\$ 3,953.04	\$ 5,115.80
	\$ 965,963.01	\$ 1,448,944.49	\$ 2,414,907.50

Eliot Narotsky, on behalf of Maywood Park and Balmoral Park, and David McCaffrey, on behalf of the Illinois Harness Horsemen's Association, provided testimony regarding Racing Board rules 1314.150 and 1424.50 (Allocation of Stalls).

# **ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS**

Chairman Berry moved to defer the 2013 organization licensee applications submitted by the Brown County Fair Association and the Illinois Department of Agriculture to the June Board meeting. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by a roll call vote.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Scates moved to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2013 Board meeting. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

## **ADJOURMENT**

At 11:30 a.m., Commissioner Reyes motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Byrne seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Laino

**Executive Director**